In the Specification:

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The present invention is to provide a method which comprises using a group of microbes (fungi and their symbiotic bacterial group) which are distinct from the species of microbes used in usual sewage purification systems, for decomposing and purifying organic waste, and deodorizing it by decomposing odorous materials. The fungi and their symbiotic bacterial group provided by the invention (microbe group of the invention) can digest organic waste which serves as a carbon source using inorganic salts as an electron-acceptor in an environment where the level of oxygen content is kept essentially at 1 ppm or less. In the concrete, the microbe group of the invention includes, to mention predominant ones, following organisms:

Mucor indicus, ~~*e.g.*~~ ATCC90364,

Myxococcus sp., ~~*e.g.*~~ ATCC49305,

Flavobacterium johnsoniae, ~~*e.g.*~~ ATCC23107,

Pseudomonas alcaligenes, ~~*e.g.*~~ ATCC14909,

Klebsiella ornithinolytica, ~~*e.g.*~~ ATCC31898,

Bacillus licheniformis, ~~*e.g.*~~ ATCC14580,

Bosea thiooxidans, ~~*e.g.*~~ ATCC700366,

Methylosinus trichosporium, ~~*e.g.* ATCC49242~~ ATCC35070.

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The microorganisms appearing in the above described environment were isolated, and the base sequence of DNA of each isolate was determined for identifying the isolate. As a consequence it was found that the microbe group of the invention predominantly comprises fungi accompanied with symbiotic bacteria as specified below:

1. *Mucor indicus*, ~~e.g.~~ ATCC90364;
2. *Myxococcus sp.*, ~~e.g.~~ ATCC49305;
3. *Flavobacterium johnsoniae*, ~~e.g.~~ ATCC23107;
4. *Pseudomonas alcaligenes*, ~~e.g.~~ ATCC14909;
5. *Klebsiella ornitinolytica*, ~~e.g.~~ ATCC31898;
6. *Bacillus licheniformis*, ~~e.g.~~ ATCC14580;
7. *Bosea thiooxidans*, ~~e.g.~~ ATCC700366; and
8. *Methylosinus tricosporium*, ~~e.g. ATCC49242~~ ATCC35070.